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Dr. Claude Bissell, President of the University of Toronto, and Mr. C. C. Calvin, Chairman of the Board of Governors, Toronto Western Hospital, have recently issued a joint announcement of the appointment of Professor Irwin M. Hilliard, head of the Department of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan, as professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of Toronto and physician-in-chief to the Toronto Western Hospital, effective July 1, 1962.

Dr. Hilliard replaces Dr. W. Hurst Brown, who is relinquishing both of these posts and devoting full time to his consulting practice at the Toronto Western Hospital.

A native of Morrisburg, Ont., Dr. Hilliard received his medical education at the University of Toronto. He studied parasitology and tropical diseases at West China Union University and was physician-in-chief at the Canadian Mission Hospital in Fowling Szechuan, China, from 1939 to 1945.

He then spent a year at the Toronto General Hospital and two years at the Toronto Western Hospital. From 1949 to 1954, when he left for Saskatoon, he was a member of the University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine.

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The annual meeting of the Ontario Chapter, College of General Practice of Canada, will be held in the form of a breakfast meeting at the Norton-Palmer Hotel, Windsor, on May 16 at 7.00 a.m. in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Ontario Medical Association.

## QUEBEC

Dr. Gustave Gingras, Executive Director of the Rehabilitation Institute of Montreal, has announced the appointment of Bertrand Primeau, M.D., M.P.H., as Medical Director of the Institute's new hospital.

Formerly Medical Consultant and Chief of the Medical Rehabilitation and Disability Advisory Service, Department of National Health and Welfare, Dr. Primeau is a graduate in medicine of the University of Montreal and a specialist in public health. He brings to the Institute a wealth of experience acquired through many years of active participation in rehabilitation programs of national and provincial scope.

Dr. Primeau succeeded Dr. Gingras and Dr. M. Desmarais of Winnipeg as Chief Delegate for the Red Cross Societies in Morocco during the program of rehabilitation of the 10,000 persons paralyzed after consumption of adulterated cooking oil.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

The first meeting of the Prince Edward Island Medical Society in 1962 was held on January 25 at the Charlottetown Hotel. Final arrangements were concluded with Maritime Hospital Service Association to implement a new service program of prepaid medical care in Prince Edward Island, adopting the new fee schedule of the Division. As of January 1, 1962, the new schedule will be paid in full by the plan for all items covered in the contract. A complete service program, at general practitioner level, for all medical, surgical and obstetrical services, in and out of hospital, with specialists' contributions on a "paid

in full" basis, will be offered to all groups without limitations or extra billing. Where special differentials are listed in the schedule, the specialist may collect these differentials by prior arrangement with the patient.

Dr. John Maloney and Dr. Thomas Laidlaw were appointed to represent the Society on the Board of Maritime Hospital Service Association.

Dr. E. Guy Joron of the Department of Metabolism and Toxicology, Montreal General Hospital, presented an interesting address entitled "Present Concepts of Diabetes", with special emphasis on the progress that has been made in the understanding of diabetes since the last occasion on which he spoke to the Society in 1958. Dr. Joron's discussion emphasized many of the important clinical implications of this knowledge. Dr. George Dewar, President of the Prince Edward Island Medical Society, occupied the chair.

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## Canadian Armed Forces

The first postwar conference of psychiatric specialists of the Canadian Forces was held in Ottawa at the new National Defence Medical Centre, November 9-11, 1961.

Dr. D. G. McKerracher, Consultant in Psychiatry to the Surgeon General, Canadian Forces Medical Service, conducted the meeting. Some 15 psychiatrists and psychiatrists-in-training from all parts of Canada, all of whom are active force medical officers, met with the civilian members of the Defence Research Board Panel on Psychiatric Research to discuss clinical, administrative and research problems peculiar to military psychiatry.

Rear Admiral B. MacLean, the Surgeon General, in addressing the meeting pointed out the need for close attention to changing stresses and response to stress with new organization and machines utilized by the armed forces.

The assembly was fortunate in having Col. O. M. Weaver, M.C., Director of Neuropsychiatry, Office of the Surgeon General (U.S.), and Dr. David McK. Rioch, Director of the Research Program in Neuropsychiatry, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, as participants in the conference and as guest speakers at the plenary session, which was open to all medical officers and civilian psychiatrists in the district.

In his address, Dr. Weaver outlined the military preventive program provided through the extension of the mental hygiene clinic concept within the U.S. Army. Dr. Rioch gave examples of the original research in both basic and therapeutic aspects of psychiatry currently being carried out at Walter Reed Army Institute.

## CORRECTION

In the issue of February 10, 1962, under Provincial News from Saskatchewan (advertising page 4), there was an error in the reference to the I.O.D.E. (an error for which the Journal's provincial correspondent was not responsible). The organization is, of course, the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.